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The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 2nd January, 1913.

It will be seen from our Canton correspondent's letter of the 29th ultimo that the anticipations of trouble in that city about the time of the Chinese New Year, which obtained considerable currency here, though they were not justified by the event, at least succeeded in creating a little panic in Canton itself. The seizure of what our correspondent describes as some few cases of arms and ammunition is not in itself a very notable fact. It is well known that the smuggling of arms into the Kwang provinces is a chronic occurrence; were the native officials more honest and more vigilant they would certainly stop the entry of far more arms. We constantly hear of the "rebels," alias bandits and pirates, being armed with the most modern weapons, and though some proportion of these no doubt come over the southern border, many must inevitably come from other sources. It is not, however, to be wondered at that the discovering of arms masquerading as "biscuits" should, on the top of the rumours prevalent in Canton and here, seriously alarm the nervous Cantonese officials and merchants. Canton is prone to panic, and we need not therefore marvel at the magnitude of the rumour, which our correspondent reports, of the intended assassination of the Chinese officials, followed by a massacre on the Shamoen. It is gratifying to note that the authorities at Canton took immediate steps to guard the approach to the foreign settlement, for it shows that they are awake to their responsibilities—if they really suspect any cause for alarm. Were the Shamoen to be seriously threatened, of course, a few hundred braves along the Canal Road

would be of little use; but fortunately the European residents do not rely on such aid. No hint of any actual trouble reaches us up to the time of writing, and we trust that our neighbours passed through the New Year festivities in the usual state of quiet and rejoicing. Canton is a panic centre, but the evidence of those who have traversed the country between that city and our own borders on the mainland during the past few days is that all is perfectly peaceful. It is possible that the Chinese authorities are only making use of easily raised fears to gain some private end, and in this connection we would point to what we wrote on Saturday with regard to the men arrested here last week.

We have received the latest number of the *Indian Seaman*, which as usual has a big budget of Scottish news besides a good story.

On Friday, the British battleship *Atsuta* came in from Mira Day, on Saturday the German gunboat *Tiger* left for Canton, and yesterday H.M. cruiser *Amphitrite* arrived from Yokohama.

In April last M. de Lanesman reorganised the French naval forces in Far Eastern waters. A decree recently published in the *Journal Officiel* gives the motive for these changes. This appears to be that in distant seas in case of war isolated vessels would not be met with, and that therefore a considerable force would be able to show a proper front.

The strike at Singapore is over, the coolies having given way. One incident of note marked the close. Sergeant Freyan was riding in a riksha to see if all was quiet when a number of coolies rushed up to his riksha shouting *Pah* etc, translated literally meaning "strike dead." Sergeant Freyan at once got out of his riksha and collared one of the men, who was apparently the ringleader, and the rest being cowed by his ready action slunk away in haste.

The summary of deaths in the Colony during December shows a total of 692, 31 in the European and foreign community (20 civilians, 5 Army) and 571 in the Chinese community. Chest affections accounted for 136 deaths and malarial fever for 75. The death-rates in the principal registration districts were:—British and foreign community, 81.7 per 1,000 per annum; Chinese, Victoria, land 33, harbour 16; Chinese, whole Colony, land 24.2, boat 18.2, land and boat, 23.3; whole civil community, 23.8.

Writing on the 23rd ult., the Kuching correspondent of the *N.C. Daily News* said:—While not yet an "open port" in name, our city may be classed as one, practically. True, there can be no foreign consession, but the business connected with the proper management of the Customs has made it necessary to increase the staff until we have quite a foreign community.

The Roman Catholic Mission has purchased a large tract of land outside the north gate, contiguous to the Customs, and are having it levelled preparatory to building. One of the wealthiest citizens of Kuching is building a two-story, foreign-style brick house inside the city. This is something new for the interior.

Europeans want to do everything for Asiatics in the sense of monopolising the doing; the Japanese wish to teach the Asiatics to do for themselves. In China it has been found that a Japanese army officer, or instructor along any line, will accomplish more with greater interest on the part of the student in a given time than any other foreigner. Japanese merchants (says the *American Review of Reviews*) principally on a small scale, are locating themselves in all parts of the interior of China where no European merchant has ever thought of going. In Manchuria, where Russia is supposed to have supreme control, the Japanese traders outnumber the Russians by fifty to five.

At the Regular Meeting of Ethen Mark Lodge, No. 284, held on Friday at the Freemasons' Hall, Wor. Bro. F. W. Edwards and a board of P.M. installed Wor. Bro. F. D. Goddard as W.M. for the ensuing year. The W.M. appointed and invested the following officers:—S. W. Bro. B. B. Barker; J. W. Bro. W. J. Titcher; M. O. Bro. W. H. Wickham; S. O. Bro. R. C. Edwards; J. O. Bro. H. Sykes; Chap. Bro. J. J. Bryan; Treas. Bro. W. H. Purcell; Reg. of Marks, Bro. W. A. Sims; Sec. Bro. G. P. Piercy; S. D. Bro. A. H. Skelton; J. D. Bro. W. J. G. Whaley; D. C. Bro. C. P. Chater; I. G. Bro. P. W. Goldring; St. Bro. G. E. Cole; and Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

It is stated, says the *N.C. Daily News*, that the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Peking received lately a telegram from Governor Wang Chih-chun of Kwangsi, to the effect that he has been persistently applied to by the French Consul in his vicinity with reference to "a certain railway agreement made between a certain French syndicate and the Kwangsi provincial authorities," while, however, owing to his (Governor Wang) being away from Kweilin (the provincial capital) he had no means of searching the records of the gubernatorial yamen to verify the matter. Governor Wang then telegraphed to Canton asking the Viceroy there whether he knew anything of the affair. The Viceroy's reply was that the contract for constructing a railway in Kwangsi province had already long ago been transferred to a Belgian syndicate, and hence the French have nothing to do with the work in question. In view of this, therefore, Governor Wang requested the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to send him a copy of all documents referring to the whole matter, including those relating to the said transfer.

The French medal for China which is now about to be struck owes its design to M. Léon Lemaire. The artist on one side places a young and beautiful Phrygian cap, but in a cage crowded with oak. On the reverse side is a device composed of the national flag, an anchor and two cannons. In the distance is seen the buildings of the French Legation in Peking, and surrounding all is a crown, half laurel, half oak-leaved, and the inscription: "CHINA, 1901-1901." The ribbon is of the same colour as that of the Tonkin medal, and the clasp is distinctly graceful, being composed of two small Chinese dragons united by a lotus leaf.

The *Russki Izvestii* publishes an order of the Minister of War dwelling upon the importance of having officers acquainted with the local languages among the troops stationed in the Amur territory, and announcing that arrangements have been made at the Oriental Institute in Vladivostok for the instruction of 40 officers in the Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Mongolian languages, as well as in French and English. The course of instruction will last four years, and 10 officers will be admitted every year in order to study the languages chosen for them by the general in command of the Amur military district. There will be no entrance examination. The officers selected for these courses will receive various privileges and allowances.

Japan's new naval programme is being exploited by the German Navy League as an excuse for a new agitation for the expansion of the Kaiser's fleet. "The financial position of the German Empire," says *Die Flotte*, "must not deter us any more than similar conditions deter the Japanese from prosecuting unceasingly what so vitally concerns the national interest. The latest figures indicate that Japan's naval strength in East Asiatic waters is 164,000 tons, Russia's 155,000, England's 124,000, France's 83,000, America's 78,000, and Germany's 22,000. The figures may well fill Germans with earnest apprehension when they recall the official assurance that our interests in the Orient are second only to England's. The Eastern question was not settled when the Powers adjusted their grievances in China."

In the *Journal of the Royal United Services Institution*, Lieut. A. G. Leach, R.F.A., has an article on "The Doctrine of Continuous Voyage," which has come into prominence on the seizure of the *Bambergh* and two other German steamers by the British during the South African War. Lieut. Leach quotes many examples bearing upon the attitude of the Powers upon the "continuous voyage" problem. Thus, in 1855, during the Franco-China war, the French Government declared its intention of seizing vessels bound for Hongkong if laden with any goods declared contraband. Among these goods was rice. The British Government protested vigorously, and upon the plea that the destination of the goods, and also that any neutral ship was entitled to trade to Hongkong, a neutral port. There is no harm in admitting now—and perhaps it should have been admitted by our Government in 1855, comments the *Naval and Military Record*—that Hongkong was, in many cases, not the ultimate destination of various cargoes.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS.

Having received news of the Lilliputians' safe arrival at Manila on Saturday by the *Changsha*, the advance agent informs us that the plans for the first four performances will open this morning at 9 a.m. at the Robinson Piano Company, and as there is certain to be a great rush for seats all are advised to book without delay. The company will arrive in Hongkong to-morrow morning, the 3rd inst., and on the 4th will open with *The Belle of New York*, which will be repeated on Thursday and Friday; on Saturday *Paul Jones* will be produced, followed by *The Gaiety Girl*, *Pinafore*, *La Mascotte*, etc. There will be only two matinees. The plan for the first matinee will open on Wednesday morning. Lyre trams and ferries will run during the season. All other particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

HONGKONG'S ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

The following statement of assets and liabilities on the 30th November, 1902, appears in the *Gazette* over the signature of the Hon. A. M. Thomson, Colonial Treasurer:—

ASSETS.	
Bank balances	\$ 27,339.95
Crown agents' balance	5,530.43
Advances, &c.	64,282.82
Subsidiary coins	69,000.00
Total	695,149.50
LIABILITIES.	
Deposits not available	\$405,845.62
Crown agents' draft	70,000.00
Money order commitments	28,927.42
Balance overdrawn, bank	—
Do. Crown agents	—
Balance	\$192,376.46
Total	695,149.50

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Darmstadt* left Shanghai on the 31st ult., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at daylight. The E. & A. steamer *Empire* left Port Darwin on the 30th ult. for this port via Manila, and may be expected here on or about 9th inst. The Imperial German mail steamer *Stettin*, which left here on the 25th ult., arrived at Shanghai on Wednesday, the 28th ult., a.m. The C.P.R. steamer *Tartar* arrived at Yokohama at 4 p.m. on the 30th ult., and left again at 11 a.m. on the 31st for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 5 p.m. on the 1st inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

GENERAL NEWS.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

SHANGHAI, 1st February, 11.30 p.m.

"SNIPE'S" BOAT SUNK—FOUR MEN DROWNED.

The river gunboat *Snipe's* four-oared boat, with Dr. Rowan, was capsized in a blizzard at Kiukiang. The four crewmen were drowned, but Dr. Rowan was saved by swimming. The boat was lost.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 28th January.

THE FRANCO-SIAMESE TREATY.

The ratification of the Franco-Siamese treaty has been extended to 30th March.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain, who is at Mafeking, met the Cape Governor and authorities, escorted by a party on horseback, on the Transvaal border.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

Col. Mulla, reconnoitring towards Galkayu, the Mulla's headquarters, has encamped at Embaras.

THE JIBUTTI-HARRAR RAILWAY.

Owing to Lent and an objection to travel in the rainy season, the Emperor Menelik has postponed his visit to Jibuti to the autumn.

SERIOUS RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN AMERICA.

An express train travelling at the rate of sixty miles an hour dashed into the rear of a local train at Graceland, New Jersey. The *debris* ignited. Twenty-four passengers were killed (of whom sixteen were burned alive) and fifty-two injured.

THE FORTHCOMING BUDGET.

Mr. Ritchie, speaking at the Crystal Palace, said that illusions of a large reduction of taxation in the forthcoming budget must be dispelled, as when the accounts for the South African war compensation were wound up our liabilities would be considerably more than estimated. Nevertheless, he believed it would be possible to reduce some taxation.

LONDON, 29th January.

BRITISH SOUTH AFRICA.

The correspondent of the *Standard* at Johannesburg says that from the 1st February there will be one supreme command of the whole military forces, from the Zambesi to the Cape, and that General the Hon. Sir N. Littleton will be the Commander-in-Chief, with headquarters at Pretoria.

LONDON, 29th January.

FRENCH LOAN TO MOROCCO.

The Bank of Paris & Pays Bas has arranged a loan with the Sultan of Morocco for 7,500,000 francs at 6 per cent. interest, guaranteed by the Customs dues. It is believed that the loan is an important diplomatic coup and intended to strengthen French interests and influence.

ILLNESS OF ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

Signor Prinetti was seized with apoplexy during an audience with King Victor Emmanuel to-day. Hopes of his recovery are entertained.

LONDON, 30th January.

VENEZUELA.

The blockading Powers have declined to entertain Mr. Bowen's proposal that all claims against Venezuela shall be on an equality with them. Their refusal has caused a deadlock.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Mr. Chamberlain is at Kimberley.

MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

General Sir H. Hildyard has been appointed Director of Military Education and Training.

LONDON, 30th January.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

President Roosevelt has sent a message to Congress with notes from Mexico and China, dwelling on the injury to international trade resulting from fluctuation in silver. The message recommends legislation which will enable the United States to co-operate with gold-standard countries for the purpose of establishing the stability of silver.

DROWNING FATALITY.

James Borrowdale, an employee of the Golden Company at Kowloon, yesterday, in the harbour, fell off a launch on which he and a number of friends were proceeding on a pleasure trip. The launch was immediately stopped and Mr. Borrowdale picked up, but though alive he succumbed soon afterwards, the cause of death, it is believed, being heart failure. The launch steamed back to Hongkong as quickly as possible and medical aid was summoned, but it was quite unavailing. The deceased was about 61 years of age.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 29th January.

A SEIZURE, AND SOME WILD RUMOURS.

Pursuant to a telegram sent from Hongkong on China New Year's eve, some Chinese officials went with soldiers to Feng Chün, somewhere opposite Shemone, and discovered in a shop some few cases of arms and ammunition; they were marked outside "biscuits." It is said that they were imported by the associates of Kang Yu-wei. The matter was reported to the Viceroy. It is customary to throw open all the city gates on New Year's eve, but His Excellency was afraid that there would be a revolt, and ordered the Southern gate to be closed and locked, and no one was permitted to pass. In consequence, some evil-disposed persons started a rumour, that between 12 and 1 a.m., when all the officials were assembling together in the Temple of Han Sow Kung to worship the Emperor and celebrate the New Year, the rebels would surround it, kill the officials, and then march on to Shamoen to murder all foreigners. This being the talk in the city on New Year's eve Capt. Xiong, who is in command of a few hundred soldiers, immediately despatched his men to guard the Canal Road and its vicinity, and some of the military officials ordered their soldiers to patrol about the suburbs of the City all night long.

THEATRE ROYAL.

"HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR."

On Saturday the Amateur Dramatic Club gave a second performance of Captain Marshall's play *His Excellency the Governor* before a crowded house, including H.E. Sir Henry Blake and the Government House party and a great number of the most prominent in local official and civilian circles. The unanimous verdict of the audience was that the production of *His Excellency the Governor* was a notable success. The play is one which lends itself admirably to representation here, and the picture of Colonial life on Ammandaland Island was immensely appreciated. Seldom has the A.D.C. made a wiser selection of a piece in which to display its abilities. Inspired no doubt by the increased audience in the house, the whole cast showed on Saturday to the best advantage and the curtain went down on a thorough triumph.

Having had no opportunity so far of criticising the performance, we may now take the characters in detail. The title role was played by Mr. C. H. Grace, whose connection with the A.D.C. has extended over a considerable period of years as time goes in the Far East. Mr. Grace made a most excellent Governor—quite beyond the criticisms of the *Ammandaland Times*, we feel sure—and it would be hard to imagine more natural ease being displayed in the part. His reappearance on our amateur stage is most welcome. To Mr. Balloch fell the representation of *Henry Carlton, M.P.*, and if he did not quite succeed in repeating his triumph in *Liberty Hall*, he was at least able to show his genuine dramatic talent. The part, it must be confessed, is one of considerable difficulty. The other two leading male parts were played by Capt. MacGeorge (*Capt. Rivers, A.D.C.*) and Mr. H. W. Bird (*Davestock, Private Secretary*). Capt. MacGeorge had an excellent opportunity, and availed himself of it to the full; he looked born to the part. Mr. Bird's *Davestock* was full of humour, and all were glad to see him assuming a more prominent rôle than in the past—though we must not forget that he had long been one of the most essential persons in an amateur dramatic body, a more than capable scenic artist. We do not know which part would more appropriately be designated as that of the "leading lady," but both Mrs. Grace and Mrs. Slade were excellent in their portrayal of the characters which they represented. *Stella de Gex* is perhaps the more vital to the comedy, and certainly as the adventurous *Stella* Mrs. Grace left very little to be desired. A professional *Stella* would be more adventurous, more outspoken, but in the greater restraint there were many compensations, and the general effect was bright and charming. After Mrs. Slade's *debut* here last year, the audience were prepared for an apt presentation of *Ethel Carlton*, and they were not disappointed. Not having so much scope as in *Liberty Hall*, she naturally could not be so prominent in *His Excellency the Governor*, but that was due to the play, not to the actress, who is again to be congratulated. Of the lesser parts Miss Bird, transformed into the stately Mrs. Wentworth, *Batinkrook*, was excellent. Lieut. Rivers was only amusing in his part, and Messrs. Ward, Hay (in a minor rôle this time), and Golding completed an admirable all-round cast. We must not, however, forget a native servant, and an effective background of khaki-clad soldiers. The last act was a trifle too slowly on the opening night, but on Saturday this was not apparent. The A.D.C. did more than sustain its reputation, and considering that several most capable performers did not take part in the present representation, it is evident that the Club is in a very healthy state. We hope it will not be long before another "show" is decided upon. On both nights the band of H.M.S. Ocean rendered a capital selection of music. The final performance takes place to-night, and considerations of weather should not deter those who have not yet been from witnessing *His Excellency the Governor*.

PIGEON SHOW AT THE KOWLOON HOTEL.

Considering that it was entirely an innovation in the Colony, the pigeon show at the Kowloon Hotel on Saturday and Sunday was more than gratifying in the measure of success that attended it, and its promoter, Mr. James Logan, of the Kowloon Dock, is to be congratulated on the fact. Between the two days, and despite the extremely unfavourable weather, there were about a thousand visitors, and amongst them some were more interested in the birds than H.E. the Governor and Lady Blake, who called on Saturday forenoon. In view of the satisfactory result of the experiment—for the show, of course, ran quite on the lines of an experiment—a meeting of those interested is to be called at an early date to consider a proposal to hold another show, this time on a larger and more comprehensive scale, somewhere about the 4th of July next. The prizes on the present occasion were awarded as follows:—
1st prize, \$30.—Pair of blue black-barred homers; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
2nd prize, \$20.—Pair of black homers; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
3rd prize, \$15.—Pair of white Indian tumbler; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
Very highly commended.—Red homer; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
Highly commended.—Blue dragon; Police-Sergeant McSwayed.
Sergeant McSwayed, in one of the most enthusiastic fanatics in the Colony, and his monopolisation of the awards speaks well for the excellence of his birds. The selection of the judges was decided by ballot, and their awards gave entire satisfaction.

FOOTBALL.

The Rugby match on the Happy Valley ground on Saturday ended in a fairly easy victory for the H.K.C.C. over H.M.S. *Abdon*.

U.K.C.C. & UNITED SERVICES.

The Club team was far too strong for the military as in the abo mentioned which was played on Saturday last in the afternoon, which was decided by a heavy fallow did not wish to play, so strong eleven against their not too powerful opponents, but it would seem that the much-discussed "young players" were already tiring of the game, as very few of them had put down their names to play, and the Committee had perforce to select whom they could get. Even then two or three men had to be picked up on the ground. The Garrison had pretty nearly their full strength, but just now it would appear that military cricket is rather a low-class affair, especially in regard to averageability and general vigour. Be that as it may, the Club had all the best of the encounter on Saturday and won in the easiest possible manner by no less than 233 runs—with only 7 wickets down!

The Garrison won the test and batted first. So badly did they perform, however, against the bowling of Dixon, Bird, Cooper and Biset, that they were all disposed of in rather more than an hour for a paltry 70 runs. The only men to score double figures were Radcliffe (19), Barrett (15) and Smith (12 not out). There was nothing in the bowling to account for this poor performance, and it would be difficult to say why they did not do better. Dixon, 3 for 22, and Biset, 2 for 8, obtained the best analyses for the Club, and the fielding, considering the coldness of the day, was rather better than usual.

The Club had little difficulty in making the necessary runs; indeed they were made for the loss of two wickets. Curiously enough, both Dixon and Cooke failed to come off, but Cooper, Mackenzie, Bird, Raymond and Bird all scored well—thus, I think, showing that it was somewhat unlucky—that he had not time to complete his "century." It would seem that, after all, he is to be considered a batsman rather than a bowler, as he has certainly been more successful in this department of the game up to the present. Anyhow, he is an excellent all-round cricketer and a decided acquisition to the ranks of the none too numerous playing uncultured members of the Club. His batting record up to Monday's break has been 160 runs, and it is to be hoped that, now he has begun, he will continue to show some of his old form. Both Bird and Raymond played excellent cricket for their runs, and Biset towards the end of the day hit with considerable vigour. With the fall of his wicket, stamps were drawn, the score then being 333 for 7 wickets, Cooper carrying out his bat for an admirable 90 not out. All the Garrison bowlers proved very expensive, but Fanshawe took 3 of the 7 wickets that fell. The following are the full scores and analyses—

THE GARRISON.	
Capt. Radcliffe, R.B., c Gardie, b Cooper	19
Lt. Mott, S.F., b Bird	5
Capt. Boyd, R.A., b Dixon	15
Capt. Lawrence, R.A., c Raymond, b Biset	15
Lt. Hamilton, C.A., c Cooke, b Dixon	1
Lt. Fanshawe, R.A., c Cooper, b Dixon	1
Lt. H. W. Smith, R.A., not out	12
Capt. Nugent, R.A., b Cooper	3
Capt. Percer, A.D., c Cooke, b Biset	2
Capt. Tullock, R.A., c Con- c b Biset	2
Pte. Bradford, A.O.D., run out	3
Batsmen	6
Total	70

H.E.C.C.

ures: The fielding all round

G. A. Cooper, H.N., et. Smith, b Fawcett	3
J. T. Dixon, b Wilmington	11
H. Raymond, R.N., et. b Wilmington	38
J. E. O. Blair, b Fawcett	32
E. Greenstock, R.N., et. J. b, w, b Nugent	6
A. Mackenzie, L. b, w, b Fawcett	52
C. H. S. Cooper, not bat	39
M. H. J. Cooper, R.N., et. b Fawcett	46
H. B. Garde, R.N. (Capt.)	1
R. Warren,	did not bat
P. W. Gedding,	31

Total (7 wickets) 303

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

THE GARRISON.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. T. Dixon	12	2	19	3
Blair	5	1	15	3
Ussett	3	—	8	2

H. K. C. C.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fawcett	10	2	6	2
Wilmington	15	1	58	1
Brindford	10	—	47	—
Fawcett	13	2	63	3
Nugent	7	—	44	1

CRAIGENGOWER C.C. "AT HOME"

On Saturday last at the Happy Valley the members of the Craigengower Cricket Club were "at home" to their friends. In spite of the inclemency of the weather there was a very large attendance. Among these present were Major Chapman, H.K.V., the Rev. and Miss Hicking, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Woodcock, and others, including representatives of the Happy Valley Club. Tea was served to the members at 1.30 p.m. under a large awning, about forty sat down, Mr. Brindford in the chair. Tiffin being over, the return match Club v. Houghkn Volunteer Coronation Congenial was played, and was won by the former, who declared their innings closed when 118 runs were made for 6 wickets. Of these Bass and Brown compiled 35 and 29 respectively. When the teams were called in, photographs were taken of the team, and then of the Club collectively, Mr. L. Munyon of Des Voeux Road being the photographer. The Countess was out for a pool of 63, and Mr. Bass was responsible for 14 and Aspin for 12, these being the only men to get into double figures. After the

D. Brown, b Fawcett

match the prizes—some of them won four seasons ago—were distributed by Mr. W. D. Braidwood, the president. The following were the prize-winners:—J. E. Lammert and J. L. Staart (batting and bowling) and H. Rapp (batting). J. P. Jordan (batting) and M. Pestojni (bowling). The Chalouze Shield presented by Mr. E. R. Bellios, C.M.G., for the highest batting average was won by J. P. Jordan last season. The conditions are for a player to win it two seasons in succession or to be the highest batsman in the league for two seasons. The winners were:—J. E. Lammert, 1898-99; H. Rapp, 1899-1900; R. Bena, 1900-01; and J. P. Jordan, 1901-02. Lawn tennis prizes—Singles: F. Rapp, 1st; J. Toppin, 2nd. Doubles: R. Pestojni and H. Rapp, 1st; A. A. Remedios and F. Rapp, 2nd. The President, in a few words, thanked those who were present and hoped they had had a very pleasant afternoon, despite the camp and cold weather. During the afternoon the band of the 33rd surmised, by kind permission of the officers, enlivened the proceedings. Every thing went off without a hitch, and great credit is due to the Committee for carrying out the entertainment so successfully. The

Н.Х.С.С.

A. O. Brown, b. Herton	23
M. R. Hartoun, b. Herton	3
D. F. Kinsland, b. Herton	6
E. E. Smart, b. Herton	24
B. Bass, b. Hammert	55
R. Pestoni, c. Jordan, b. Herton	12
E. Ford,	
F. Rapp,	
E. Vincut, did not bat	
M. H. Taylor,	
H. Rapp,	
Extras	4
Total (for 5 wickets)	113

L. A. Rhee, at Ford, 11 Brown	14
R. C. Witchell, c Ford, b Pestonji	8

Farmer also wanted at \$10. China Provision
are on offer at \$3.0, and China Light and
Powers at \$10. Watkins have sold at \$8.

MEXICO.—Kowloon Land and Building Co.
Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 2nd
February. Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd., ordinary
yearly meeting on the 4th February. Hong-
kong Rope Co., Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting
on the 7th February; transfer books close on
the 4th February. Hongkong and Shanghai
Banking Corporation, ordinary, half-yearly
meeting on the 14th February. Hongkong
Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., ordinary
half-yearly meeting on the 7th February.
Hampden & State and Finance Co., Ltd.
ordinary yearly meeting on the 7th February.
Transfer books close on the 3rd February.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS BY CABLE.

SOUTH AFRICA.

The following are the accounts of the above

THE TRANSVAAL'S CONTRIBUTIONS. London, 15th January. The mining magnate, Mr. Alcock states that the War Contribution Loan will be at least £100,000, and will be underwritten by the Rand Companies, and payable in three annual instalments beginning in 1934. The Imperial Works Loan will be at 3 per cent, raised as needed.

London, 16th January. Mr. Chamberlain is expected to make a final pronouncement regarding the Transvaal settlement to-morrow.

It is understood that the Reproductive Works Loan will amount to forty millions, of which thirty millions will be provided by the Transvaal and ten millions by the Orange River Colony.

The great financial houses have undertaken to provide the first instalment, namely, ten millions, of the War Contribution.

INDIAN IMMIGRANTS. Calcutta, 15th January. The Government of India has received intimation from the Secretary of State for India that the Government of the Cape Colony has passed an Act similar to the Immigration Act of 1901, issued by the Commonwealth of Australia, the Act to come into force on the 30th January, 1933. Copies of the Act have not yet been received; but it is understood that under it immigrants are to be required to write satisfactorily an application in some European language. Its effect will be practically to exclude from the Colony Indians of the labouring and petty trading classes. Local Governments and administration are to take steps to warn intending emigrants at the port of embarkation of the risks they incur in proceeding to the Colony.

31st Dec., 1902. Dr - \$

GENE AL NEWS.

"MARCONIGRAPHY."

London, 13th January.

Successful experiments in military Marconi telegraphy have been conducted between Aldershot and the warship *Vernon*, at Spithead, by engineers who are using a small captive balloon having receiver consisting of metal ribbons and being connected with the apparatus on the ground by a steel retaining cable.

MAUSERS FOR TURKEY.

London, 13th January.

Turkey has signed a contract for the purchase of 200,000 Mausers.

NIGERIA.

London, 14th January.

The expedition against the Emir of Kano which was mentioned on the 1st January as consisting of 1,200 troops, under Colonel Morland

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Balance		108.00

is concentrating at Zarni, the defect British troops to Kham. It consists of 1,050 seasoned troops, 37 British officers, 12-pounders and seven Maxim's, all commanded by Colonel Morland.

SOMALILAND.

London, 15th January.

The Indian Contingent is arriving at Obbia. The 2nd Sikhs, the British Field Hospital, and the Bombay Sappers and Miners have landed without accident, except a few casualties to animals, the sea having subsided. Moreover, the fatigue parties had removed many of the original obstacles to landing. Brigadier-General Manning has arrived at Obbia.

MOROCCO.

London, 14th January.

Messrs. Vernon & Smith say in their weekly

It is reported from Laghiet that the Sultan of Morocco has been informed that the British representative at that place, who was detailed and rescued several tribes, and that Menabou, the British minister was killed. The tribes are fighting around Tangier, where a state of panic prevails. The solitary consul at Fez is the British representative.

TURKEY'S NEW GRAND VIZIER.
London, 15th January.
Fetih Pasha, President of the recently appointed Macedonian Reform Commission, has been appointed Grand Vizier.
London, 16th January.
It is understood that the dismissal and disgrace of the Turkish Grand Vizier, Said Pasha, was due to the rejection of his proposal for improving the administration of the Turkish Empire.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong's com-
out of favour at £320. Chinas have been bog-

Provides
regarded a forestowing complications in
connection with Macedonia and the postponement
most of the scheme for unifying the Ottoman
debt.

THE DARDANELLES.
London, 16th January.

One Russian torpedo-boat passed the Dardanelles on Tuesday.

BYSSINIA AND FRENCH TRADE.
London, 16th January.

France has decided to send a naval force to the opening of the Jibuti-Harrar railway, which King Menelik is expected to attend. Arrangements are being made to give him a great reception.

AMERICAN DEMAND FOR BRITISH COAL.
London, 16th January.

are neglected at \$600. Rauba can still be

Over sixty steamers have been chartered since Christmas to convey British coal to the United States.

NEW AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN DUTIES.
London, 16th January.

The Austro-Hungarian arrangement has been submitted to the two Parliaments, and consists of mutual concessions and provides for a large increase in the Agricultural and Industrial Duties to meet the German duties and prevent the flooding of Austria-Hungary.

dividend of \$6 per share for 1902 paid on

with products from protectionist States.
HIGH MILITARY APPOINTMENTS.
London, 16th January.
It is officially announced that General Sir
Grenfell (Gowrie) of Malta, since the 1st
January, 1899) has been appointed to command
the Fourth Army Corps; General Sir Man-
field Clarke appointed Governor of Malta;
Major-General Baden-Powell, Inspector-
General of Cavalry; Colonel Seobell to com-
mand the First Cavalry Brigade at Aldershot;
Colonel Manning to command the Third
Cavalry Brigade in Curragh; and Colonel
W. A. Adams, C.B., appointed Inspector-General
of Artillery in India.

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The Pickwick, the Owl, and the Waverley Pen
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TONKIN, though small, were quick, wiry, and evidently

and *Alacrity* at Singapore from the *Bato* of heavier calibre, and which roused the British officers to keep praise of the success of the

The view presented was that of the theatre district of some sort of theatre as one might gaze into it from above the level of the upper balcony. Below in the pit, and above, where some constabulary sailors had climbed to the top of the proscenium, human beings looked pigmies amidst the gigantic statuettes and statergies which aptly testified formed the columns supporting the lofty roof. At a given signal this wonderful scene was lighted by coloured gases, red, white and green by turns. The band of the *Redoubtable* played appropriate music, giving varied effects—theatrical and ecclesiastical—cleverly harmonising with the surroundings and not failing to impress on the least susceptible mind the effect which it was desired to produce. The applause which greeted each effort of the entertainers was most spontaneous and hearty, the bluejackets expressing themselves according

large party of officers were taken in the *Jacquin* **BOTTLED ALES, BEERS AND**

the quay at Hongay, and this distance was travelled by train. The mines are open-air.

Early in the morning of Friday the 9th.	Yobianu.	Japanese	10.00	2.1
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guests of the Governor-General, left in the

but in this, as in all the arrangements which

French arrangements for hospitality were very evident. At Haiphong, carriages were in

that an Englishman can travel as light

SIAM, STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
MALAYAN STATES, NETHERLANDS

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WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 4TH, 5TH, 6TH FEBRUARY:

"THE BELLE OF NEW YORK."

SATURDAY, MONDAY AND TUESDAY, 7TH, 9TH, 10TH FEBRUARY:

"PAUL JONES."

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 11TH, 12TH, 13TH FEBRUARY:

"A GAIETY GIRL."

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

THERE WILL BE ONLY TWO MATINEES THIS SEASON.

FIRST MATINEE, SATURDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY, AT 3.30 P.M.

"PAUL JONES."

SECOND AND LAST MATINEE, 14TH FEBRUARY, AT 3.30 P.M.

PLANS NOW OPEN AT ROBINSON PIANO CO.

LATE TRAMS AND FERRIES DURING SEASON

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903.

NOTICE.

WE have this Day ADMITTED Mr. HEUBEN MARCUS EZEKIEL, a PARTNER in our Firm.

ERICH GEORG & CO.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1903.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the undersigned has this Day been REMOVED to No. 52, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, FIRST FLOOR (above Tak Cheong's Tailor Shop).

F. X. DALLMADA E CASTRO,

Hongkong, 1st February, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, 10,000 EGYPTIAN CIGARETTES (In Good Order and Condition).

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN (FORMOSA), LIMITED. (INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER.)

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL Yen 5,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—TAIPEI, FORMOSA.

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" " " 3 " 4% " " " " 3 " 3% " " " " 3 " 2% "

S. SHIGENAGA, Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer "MALTA" FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo—

From London, &c., ex *India*.

From Australia, &c., ex *Himalaya*.

Goods not cleared by the 7th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1903.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, STRAITS AND MANILA.

THE Steamship "BENCLEUCH," Capt. A. W. Thompson, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th prox. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th prox., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1903.

THEATRE

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CITY HALL

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR
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WILL GIVE
A PERFORMANCE

"HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR."

TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), 2nd FEBRUARY.

Commencing at 9.15 o'clock punctually.

DRESS CIRCLE AND STALLS ... \$3.00

PISTON ... 1.00

NO HALF-PRICE.

The Ticket Office will be open at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

E. W. MITCHELL,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1903.

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 11 A.M., at No. 141, PRINCE STREET, A QUANTITY OF COAL.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1903.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (MONDAY), the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 2.30 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, 75 Cases PORT WINE; 75 Cases MISTELA BLANCA; and 50 Cases MISTELA CLARET.

These Wines have been analysed chemically by A. Stanley, M.D., D.P.H., and were found to be first-class table wines, and no evidence of fortification by raw spirit nor of the addition of any injurious substance.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

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Hongkong, 31st January, 1903.

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Ejector Brass Cases 7.50 9.25

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Hongkong.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1902.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on 7th FEBRUARY 1903, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1902, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 7th FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1903.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1902.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF SHARES OF the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 31st day of January current to the 14th day of February next (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903.

CHINA COMMERCIAL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF CHINA COMMERCIAL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at its OFFICE, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of FEBRUARY, 1903, at 3 P.M., when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 28th of January, 1903, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:

RESOLUTION.

"That the Regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby approved and that such Regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company to the exclusion of all the existing Regulations thereof."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the said printed document may be inspected by any Shareholder at my Office.

Dated 31st of January, 1903.

C. EWENS,

Manager.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1903.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, THIS DAY (MONDAY), the 2nd FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 24th JANUARY, to MONDAY, the 2nd FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,

Secretary to the

Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.

General Agents for

The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1903.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the General Managers, Pedder's Street, at 12.30 P.M., on WEDNESDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1902, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 31st to the 4th proximo, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1903.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, 7th FEBRUARY, 1903, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 11th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1903.

HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-THIRD ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th of JANUARY to the 7th FEBRUARY, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES in Bank Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, 1903, at 12.15 o'clock, P.M., or so soon as the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting to be held at 12 o'clock Noon on that day shall be concluded, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION.

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following—

(a) In Article (79) the word "nine" shall be substituted for the word "seven."

(b) In Article (88) the words "nine thousand" shall be substituted for the words "seven thousand."

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th January, 1903.

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company, held at the Company's Office, No. 13, Beaconfield Arcade, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 5th day of January, 1903, the following Resolution was passed:—

"That in pursuance of the Special Resolution passed on the 11th day of November, 1902, and confirmed on the 27th day of December, 1902, a Call of Fifty Cents per Share be made upon all holders of Ordinary Shares in the above Company, and the same is hereby made. Such Call to be paid to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Premises, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 8th day of February, 1903."

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that in accordance with Article 24 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest at the rate of 10 per centum per annum will be charged upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 8th day of February, 1903, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that, upon presentation at the Office of the Company of the Bankers' Receipt for payment of the Call, and surrender of existing Certificates of Shares pertaining thereto, new Share Certificates will be issued bearing an endorsement of the payment of the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. KERFOOT HUGHES,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1903.

BANKS

THE DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... Sh. Tels 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschow).

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H. FIGGE, Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1902.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Yen 24,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP ... " 18,000,000

CAPITAL UNPAID ... " 6,000,000

RESERVE FUND ... " 8,910,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

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LONDON BANKERS:

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

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On fixed deposits for 12 months 5% per annum

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TARO HODSUMI, Manager.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1902.

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ... U.S. \$2,000,000 Gold

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" " " 87,180,000 "

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FASHIONABLE CENTRE CARPETS
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Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [28]

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Each house with Five Rooms and good
Servants Quarters. Rent Moderate.
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COMPRADORE.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1903. [387]

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 32A, Praya East.
FIRST FLOOR of No. 49, P-ol Street.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE DEPARTMENT.
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 29th January, 1903. [391]

TO LET.

"THE RETREAT," MOUNT KELLET.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE,
CAUSEWAY BAY, facing the Polo Ground.
No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
GODOWNS at BOWLINGTON (PRAYA
EAST).
HOUSES in LEIGHTON HILL ROAD.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [71]

TO LET.

No. 73, WYNDHAM STREET.
S. A. SETH,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1903. [28]

TO LET.

SPACIOUS NEW HOUSES and FLATS.
Connaragh Road, Des Vaux Road and
Pottinger Street. Close to Blako Pier. Specially
suitable for Offices, Stores, &c. Rents very
moderate.
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S. A. SETH,
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or
KWONG SUNTAT,
34, Wing Lok Street
Hongkong, 27th November, 1902. [60]

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A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE at MOUN-
TAIN VIEW, PEAK, from 1st April till
31st October.
Apply to—
"Y. Z."
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1903. [371]

TO LET

No. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD, from
1st February.
Nos. 8 and 12, CASTLE ROAD;
No. 40, CAINE ROAD; and
Nos. 7, 9 and 11, 86 YIMMOU ROAD, with
Immediate Possession.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1903. [370]

TO LET.

FOUR LARGE ROOMS on Ground Floor
of "COLLEGE CHAMBERS," suitable for
Offices.
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.
Hongkong, 21st January, 1903. [316]

TO LET OR FOR SALE.

POSSESSION 1st MARCH.
"THE CHALET," A FIVE-ROOMED
HOUSE, at the Peak.
Apply to—
G. W. RICHARDS.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1903. [34]

TO LET.

NOS. 1 & 3, "MAGDALENE TERRACE,"
Corner houses, MAGDALENE GAP.
Apply to—
SPANISH PROCURATOR.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1903. [73]

TO LET.

NOS. 1, 12 and 14, LEIGHTON HILL
ROAD.
For Particulars, please apply to
MR. LI PAK,
Care of Compradore,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha,
1st Floor No. 1, Prince's Buildings, Charter Rd.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1902. [63]

TO LET.

OFFICES TO LET fronting on QUEEN'S
ROAD.
Apply—
"C."
18, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 28th January, 1903. [339]

TO LET.

TWO SPACIOUS GODOWNS—Nos. 95
and 96, PRAYA EAST.
TWO ROOMS above NEW VICTORIA
HOTEL.
Apply to—
H. N. MODY,
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [82]

TO LET.

GODOWNS, paved with granite, at
Wancha. Suitable for storage of Coal
or any other dry Merchandise. With Pier.
Apply to—
HASON LEE,
255, Queen's Road.
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TO LET.

"HARTLEY," "WESTLEY," and
"EDEN HALL," RICHMOND
ROAD.
Apply to—
LAU CHU PAK,
Care of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1903. [150]

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THE SUPERSTITION OF
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The spelling of a word is still the undisputed
authority for its pronunciation with multitudes
of honest folk. When they have proved, from
the dictionary, that it is expressed in writing
by certain characters, argument comes to an
end; people who do not pronounce it accordingly
must be ignorant, if not vulgar. It would
seem to signify that the art of spelling was a
revelation vouchsafed to our ancestors, or else
that writing is older than speech. They may
take choice between these alternatives, but one
or other must be the explanation if their view
be correct. It is certain that men had been
talking for an incalculable space of time before
the notion of recording words occurred to
any of them; in fact, that discovery is so recent
in the case of the Teutonic peoples, that the
learned almost fix a date. We need not go into
that. The point is that our forefathers had a
national system of writing, before the conversion
adapted to their speech. If St. Augustine and
his missionaries had retained the "Futhorc," as
this ancient alphabet was styled, and if it had
descended to the present time, many of the
worst inconsistencies of our spelling would have
been avoided; both propositions are absurd, of
course, but they may be admitted "for the sake
of argument." The English system of runes
was much more copious than any other, because
the language was so much more copious in
sounds. It had thirty-two characters, which
still did not suffice; but at least it met
the necessities of the case much
better than the twenty-six substituted for
it. Philologists recognise thirty-nine
sounds in English speech. Of vowels alone it
has fifteen, as we used to calculate; but Professor
Swayne actually reckons nineteen in his
Science of Language. And all these have to
be expressed somehow, by "a, e, i, o, u," and
"y." It is not necessary to look further for
the complication of spelling, though many
other causes operated. All the Teutonic races
have the same difficulty, though in less degree.
Gregory of Tours says that the rough Merovin-
gian Chilperic summarily ordered four letters
to be added to the Latin alphabet, "and wrote
to all the cities of his kingdom that boys should
be taught to use them; also that ancient books
should be secured with pumice-stone and
rewritten." What books could these have been
—in the Frank language, but Roman charac-
ters evidently? An interesting speculation.

There is no law for the pronunciation of
purely English words except custom. Until a
date almost modern educated persons spell a
word just as the whim of the moment suggested,
giving, perhaps, two forms, or even more, in a
single page. Mr. Sidney Lee reports that the
name of John Shakespeare figures 63 times in
the Council Book of Stratford-on-Avon, spelt
in 16 different ways. This is good, seeing that
John was a member of the Council. But Karl
Elze, tracing the family in Warwickshire,
discovered no fewer than 53 variations of the
spelling, which he gives in his careful volume.
Perhaps, "Shakysper," "Shagospere," "Chaka-
per," "Shakiper," "Shoxpers" are the most
remarkable, but there is a fine choice of
eccentricities. Nevertheless, all of these men
pronounced their name alike, assuredly. No
one yet has been so bold—one might say im-
pudent—as to assert that he can make out
all the five scribbles which William Shake-
spere called his signatures; but two of them
have been read *tant bien que mal*, with a
strong magnifying glass probably. One is
"Shakspere," the other "Shakespeare." It was
almost the rule for men to spell their names
differently at different times. The compiler
of the *Lives of the Lindseys* found so many
versions of that honourable patronymic among
the signatures and correspondence of the
family, that he took to counting them, and
found 88. But he who called a Lindsey "out of
name" in these days would not have been
excused; because the gentleman chose, to
spell it so. Perhaps the most extraordinary
instance of his class was given by a
writer in *Notes and Queries* two or three years
ago. In tracing the history of Woburn he
found 244 variations of the word. Perhaps the
happiest were "Wubn," "Wahoo turn,"
"Noburn," "Wobooarene," "Hawburn." But
all these people would have said "Woburn,"
doubtless, in speaking of the place—if that
spelling represents the ancient and customary
sound, which is by no means to be taken for
granted. When the spelling of a simple En-
glish word differs from the pronunciation,
almost always—if not quite—the former
is wrong. One constantly hears ill educated
persons denounce the rustic ignorance which
transforms "Beauchamp" into "Beechum," and
"Beaulieu" into "Bewley." If they turned to
any old French book they would find that *beau* was
spelt *bien*, and in poetry it made a disyllable.
Thus the man of Warwick who talks of the
"Beauchamp" Chapel, or the Londoner who refers
to the "Beaulieu" Tower, comes much nearer

to the contemporary pronunciation than they
do with their modern French. As for *Bewley*,
one village of that name was so called before
the Conquest, though "Beuchum" afterwards.
Probably the Normans corrupted the English,
which they did not understand, into a French
combination, somewhat resembling it in sound.
Johnson used to declare that the purest
English was spoken in Lichfield. He made
the assertion in self-defence probably, for
fashionable folks in London mocked his pro-
nunciation of "great," "breakfast,"
"Chany" for "China," "tay" for "tea,"
"Room" for "Rome," and so forth. Elderly
people in Staffordshire can recollect these forms
in common use when they were young. Some
of them were correct beyond dispute, as "tay,"
"Chany," "Room"—that is, they faithfully
preserved the sound of those foreign words.
Others as "obliged" and "pooneh" showed
that the forms, lately imported, were not yet
naturalised. Charles James Fox took great
credit to himself as a purist in English. He had
down a number of inexorable rules which must
be observed whatever the consequences. One
was that if a foreign word had been regularly
adopted into English it must be pronounced in
the English fashion. Accordingly he decided
that *Bordeaux* wine ought to be called "Bordox"
and from the moment of that decision until the
end of his life he so called it. To return to John-
son's pronunciations. "Great," "breakfast,"
and that class are instances of the mischief
caused by our want of vowel signs, to which
allusion has been made. "Eu" has to serve for
a long, as in "great," for a long, as in "Eu,"
"hent," for a short, as in "death," for "u," as
in "death," besides its proper force, as in
"gear," "appear." If one trans-ferred any
or all of these pronunciations, as the hapless
foreigner is bound to do until thoroughly
practised, it could not be said that he
violated any principle. The law is unenfor-
mally. This "handicap" the young
Briton terribly. It has been asserted, that our
children waste two or three years in learning to
spell, whilst foreign rivals mostly can acquire
all they need in a few months. But there is no
remedy now. If the "fonetik system" had been
introduced when the Futhorc was dropped, it
would have been a blessing unqualified. Then
Shakespeare, Addison, Macaulay, Dickens
would have used it. The hideous thing would
have been familiar, and hideous no more. In
itself it does not offend the eye more than
Magyar or Czech, for example, which we survey
with pleased curiosity when we chance to meet
with them. But a page of a favourite author in
"fonetik" is an outrage and an insult. He
would grasp all the horror of it should he look
through the works of Max Muller. In one of
those learned volumes he depicts a panegyric
of the system. One reads on placidly,
supposing that the *same* will get to business
soon. But over-leaf he suddenly adopts
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